

WOULD MODEL INDIAN SERVICE AFTER OURS

English Expert Here to Study American Weather Bureau.

TO ANTICIPATE MONSOONS

Gilbert Walker Regards Local Establishment and Methods as the Best in the World.

Gilbert Walker, an English meteorologist, who has recently been appointed director of the British weather bureau in the Indian peninsula, is in Washington to study the methods used so successfully by the American Weather Bureau. He will remain here for several weeks and then visit the Boston and Chicago weather stations. After some further study in France and Germany he expects to go to his post in India.

In discussing his future work, Mr. Walker said:

The Prediction of Monsoons.

"The usefulness of the weather service in India will depend largely upon its ability to predict the coming of the monsoon. In India the crops depend entirely upon these great winds, which bring with them the necessary rain. If it is possible to predict to a dot the time the monsoons will arrive in the different districts of the country, whether they will arrive at all, and to what extent they may be expected, the government can lay its hand upon the exact spot in which a famine is inevitably coming, and grasp the opportunity to hurry supplies to the threatened district. This has already been done to a certain extent.

"A good system of weather stations is at present installed in India, but the methods used are not up to date.

American Service Leads.

"Those used by the United States are the finest and most advanced in the world. We have nothing to equal the United States Weather Bureau in England, nor is there such a system to be found on the Continent. The United States is especially far ahead of the English service in the use of kites and balloons. In India kites and balloons are not used at all.

"The weather service in India is, and will be for some time, used principally by the government. The natives, though they will be indirectly benefited, are too uneducated and suspicious of anything connected with the government to avail themselves of the information given by the weather bureau. The educated natives go into law. The Indian seems to have no business instincts, and as a rule does not go into large commercial industries such as would require a knowledge of the atmospheric changes and derive a great benefit therefrom."

ALEXANDRIA NEWS NOTES.

Judgment for Salary.

In the county court before Judge Love, yesterday in the case of Maria Wimsatt against E. A. Duffel, a suit to recover \$1,000 salary, said to be due the plaintiff, the jury rendered a verdict giving Miss Wimsatt a judgment for \$856. Miss Wimsatt was a member of the Florodora opera company.

Adjudicated by the Mayor.

In the mayor's court this morning the following cases were disposed of: Mary Francis, assault on Lloyd Crawley, fined \$5; Hattie Conroy, disorderly conduct, fined \$5; Henry Mason, assaulting and beating Fannie Sanders, \$5; Violet Frederick, disorderly conduct, fined \$5.

Public Works on Streets and Sewers.

The completion of the vitrified brick carriageway on King Street closes for the present the work of the improved street ways in Alexandria. The new constitution forbids the levying of special taxes for this purpose on adjoining property. Extensive work in sewers still continues. The Cameron Street sewer is just completed. The pipes for the Queen Street sewer are laid along the sidewalk ready for use.

To Purchase Ambulance.

"Sharps and Flats," an amateur musical organization here, has appropriated \$150 to the purchase of an ambulance for the Alexandria Hospital. This amount is the sum realized for the last two opera productions given by that organization.

Miss Hoy to Wed Mr. Bartlett.

Cards have been issued for the marriage of Robert Henry Bartlett to Grace Elizabeth Hoy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Hoy. The ceremony will take place from the home of the bride's parents, 1204 Prince Street, on Wednesday evening next, at 8:30 o'clock.

Lenten Services.

At the Lenten services at St. Mary's Church here last night the sermon was preached by Rev. D. P. Coleman, of Fredericksburg who took for his text the command "Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself." A large congregation was present.

Fanchon Pleasure Club Ball.

The Fanchon Pleasure Club gave a ball at McBurney's Hall last night. A number of visitors from Washington and Baltimore were present. In the evening a supper was served at the Hotel Ramwell. The orchestra was under the leadership of Prof. Reece Caton, of this city. The club will give another entertainment on Easter Monday night.

Guest of Brother Clergyman.

The Rev. Andrew Carey, assistant pastor of Holy Name Church, Washing-

DISPUTE OF BREWERS MAKES BEER CHEAP

Local Price Is Reduced From \$6 to \$4

Washington brewers have fallen out and local saloonkeepers are profiting by the grievances which disrupted the combination of local breweries and put the knife into the established price of ordinary draught beer. Beer which formerly sold for \$6 a barrel, with a discount of 10 per cent, is now selling for \$4 a barrel, with a discount of 10 per cent, a net reduction of \$1.80 a barrel.

All five of the local breweries are quoting a price of \$4, with 10 per cent off, on ordinary lager beer, and some of the breweries are said to be offering a net price of \$3.50 a barrel. These prices are quoted on the standard barrel for beer, which contains thirty-two gallons. Few full barrels of beer are sold, but the same price holds on half and quarter barrels, the sizes commonly used in the liquor trade.

Bottled beer and select grades of keg beer are not affected materially by the cutting on the lower class beer. The beer affected by the war is the sort which is most generally used in saloons for draught purposes. It is the standard article in the ordinary saloon, and the slump in its quotations is as acceptable to the retail liquor dealer as the fall in the price on sugar would be to the retail grocer.

The beer war has no effect on the foreign breweries. It does not extend to bottled beer and the standard brews, keg beer, which continue to sell at the rate of \$8 a barrel. But little of the cheaper beer has been shipped into Washington by breweries in St. Louis, Milwaukee, and other cities, as they were unable to compete with the prices offered by local breweries.

Until last July the five local breweries—Abner & Drury Brewing Company, National Capital Brewing Company, Arlington Brewing Company, Washington Brewery Company, and Christian Heurich Brewing Company—are said to have had an agreement to maintain the price on lager beer at \$6 a barrel, with 10 per cent discount. The brewers also pledged themselves not to give epigots and signs to customers. The cutting of prices and other violations of the agreement on the part of some of the brewers smashed the combination and started the price of lager beer on the downward track. The present low figures were not reached, however, until a short time ago.

Efforts to effect a settlement of the dissension among the brewers have been made repeatedly since last July, but without success. Within the last few weeks representatives of the various local breweries have been in consultation, and it is rumored, a combination will be effected before the opening of summer which will restore lager beer to its former price.

DELAWARE STATESMEN GUESTS OF MR. ALLEE

Entertained at Dinner by Newly Elected Senator.

"There will be no speech here tonight except the one I will make." This was the unusual but diplomatic statement made by Governor Hunn, of Delaware, who presided at the dinner given by Senator J. F. Allee, of that State, to Senator Ball, J. Edward Addicks, members of the State Legislature, and other invited guests last night at the Arlington. The speaker was Governor Hunn. Members of both factions of the Republican party of Delaware were calling loudly for their respective leaders to speak at the close of the dinner. But Governor Hunn, in behalf of Senator Allee, quieted these calls as indicated, then thanked those present for honoring the occasion with their presence and bade them all good-night.

Came to View Ceremony.

Many members of Delaware's Legislature accompanied Senator Allee and Senator Ball to Washington yesterday to see the two new Senators inducted into office. On their arrival, Senator Allee invited them to attend a dinner. Governor Hunn, who is respected by both factions, presided. Seated at his left was Senator Ball, who represents the Regular Republican faction. On his right was Senator Allee. To the right of Senator Allee were Mr. Addicks and Caleb Layton, secretary of state. Among others seated in places of honor were Representative Henry M. Houston, the Democratic Congressman from Delaware; Henry S. Anthony, speaker of the house, and William M. Byrne, who has been appointed United States district attorney.

The dinner proved to be one of the most elaborate and pleasant given so far this season. It was after cigars were distributed that men of both factions began to call for their leaders to speak. As the guests departed, Senator Allee thanked them all personally for their courtesy.

The List of Guests.

Those present were: Governor John Hunn, R. A. Whittingham, J. Edward Addicks, Caleb R. Layton, George W. Marshall, William Thorp, James L. Hawkins, S. John Abbott, Francis M. Walker, William T. Deighton, A. A. Watson, W. J. Harrington, C. E. Doris, Theodore Townsend, J. McK. Allee, Philip L. Cannon, H. A. Houston, Henry C. Ellison, George W. Sparks, Thomas C. Moore, S. S. Cowcock, T. J. Stirling, D. D. Moore, John Hancock, William R. Flinn, L. V. Asprill, Jr., S. C. Dirckx, W. M. Eastburn, William H. Price, James P. Jones, Joseph Frazier, O. A. Newton, R. D. Lingo, Jr., James G. Shaw, Jr., Thomas Curry, H. E. Cain, H. McDaniel, William D. Deters, C. M. Simpler, George H. Baynum, Richard Hodgson, James W. Robertson, E. F. Hazzard, D. C. Allee, Frank H. Davis, Benjamin A. Groves, J. Will Powell, S. J. Mossack, Frank W. Lawson, William H. Gehman, John W. Bennett, H. G. Buckmaster, A. L. Tyre, T. E. Warren, Henry P. Anthony, Lavinius Austin, and John G. Townsend, Jr.

MARYLAND NEWS NOTES.

ANNAPOLIS.

Report for Duty.

Lieut. H. B. Baker and Assistant Paymaster Frank H. Lemly reported yesterday for duty on board the monitor Arkansas.

D. D. Schnapp, of Illinois, was admitted to the Naval Academy as a member of next year's fourth class and was given a leave of absence until May 16 next.

New Naval Academy.

Ground was broken at the Naval Academy yesterday for another building to be used as temporary quarters for midshipmen. The building will be a temporary affair, built to quarter the midshipmen until their handsome new structure is completed, and will stand on the north end of the lower parade grounds. It has also been decided necessary to enlarge the mess hall.

EASTERN SHORE.

Red Men Celebrate.

Last night sleep of Modore Tribe of Red Men of Salisbury was a great occasion. Fifty-four palefaces having been initiated into the mysteries of the order.

Worcester Road System.

Worcester county has been divided into three road districts, and instead of nine road supervisors, as formerly, there are now only three, who were appointed yesterday as follows: John W. Allen, of Pocomoke City; James W. Gentry, of Snow Hill, and Jacob M. Gunby, of Berlin. For each road district \$2,500 is appropriated.

Attempted Suicide.

O'Sullivan Dimpfel, living on his farm, Paola, near Bellevue, attempted suicide yesterday by shooting himself. He deliberately fired the pistol, the bullet striking him in the right side, but it hit some hard substance and glanced off, inflicting but a slight wound. He was prevented from firing another shot by friends near by.

WESTERN MARYLAND.

Investigating a Fire.

Deputy Fire Marshal Charles V. Wantz has returned to Westminster from

RUSSO-AUSTRIAN PLAN TO OCCUPY MACEDONIA

London Hears of Alleged Secret Convention.

LONDON, March 4.—Grave news is reported from Constantinople this morning, official dispatches reporting that revolutionary bands have taken the field at several places in Macedonia. Apprehension is felt that a general movement has already begun.

Advices from St. Petersburg state that a secret Russo-Austrian military convention has been concluded, with the view to a provisional occupation of old Serbia and Macedonia. It is considered certain that Turkey will not carry out her undertaking in regard to reforms in Macedonia.

The Bulgarians are said to be assisting the revolutionists by keeping them posted as to the movements of the Turkish troops.

A revolutionary band operating between Sere and Strumitza in Macedonia has cut the telegraph line and isolated that section. They killed the gendarmes in the village of Monastir.

Another band, numbering 150, fought the Turks for seven hours in the Malash district February 28. The Turks are still pursuing this force.

VIENNA, March 4.—"Die Zeit" states today that Saravoff, the Macedonian revolutionist leader, at the head of 4,000 men, recently encountered a force of Turks near Melnik, Roumania. A pitched battle ensued, according to the paper, in which the Turks suffered great loss.

KEEP SIDEWALKS CLEAN.

SAYS MAJOR SYLVESTER

Major Sylvester today issued the following order to police lieutenants:

"Vigorous complaints have been made regarding paper, banana peels and other rubbish being thrown into the streets and upon the parking. Instruct members of your command to enforce the regulations. Where violators are reliable citizens, notification to appear for such violation should be given. Investigation should be made in all cases where paper and waste are found accumulated in the streets or parking, and report made to you as to causes. If from lunch wrappings, billboards, scattered circulars, neglect of merchants or employees, etc., you should know, with a view to securing a remedy therefor.

"The throwing of banana peels about fruit carts should be stopped. Exercise good discretion, and impress upon persons the fact that there is a penalty for each violation. Orders have frequently been issued respecting this nuisance, and now that weather conditions have improved, the streets and reservations should be maintained in as cleanly and sanitary condition as possible."

KATHRYN KIDDER FORCED BY ILLNESS TO CANCEL DATES

SAN ANTONIO, Texas, March 4.—Kathryn Kidder, the actress, has canceled all engagements for weeks ahead, on account of her illness and will remain here several days to recuperate. Her physicians state that she is suffering from nervous prostration, the result of hard study and hard work, and advise complete rest.

CUBAN TOBACCO LANDS CONTROLLED BY TRUST

J. P. Morgan Said to Be Financing Vast Monopoly.

HAVANA, March 4.—The American Tobacco Company has obtained options on all the lands in the island available for the growth of tobacco. The fact that J. P. Morgan is the guest of prominent officers of the company, leads to the belief that he is financing the company.

Before the conclusion of the land purchases and the obtaining of the complete output of the island, it is probable that \$100,000,000 will be expended.

REFORM CLUB FORCED BY DEBTS TO SELL OUT

Court Grants Permission to Dispose of Its Property on Fifth Avenue.

NEW YORK, March 4.—The Reform Club secured permission from Justice O'Gorman, in the supreme court yesterday, to sell its club premises at Fifth Avenue and Twenty-seventh Street for \$400,000. The trustees state that the property is too costly for the club, with its present or prospective revenues, to carry. Its mortgage indebtedness exceeds \$300,000, and its floating debt is about \$30,000.

RUNAWAY LOCOMOTIVE CAUSES TWO BAD WRECKS

PORT JERVIS, N. Y., March 4.—A locomotive, which had been left standing on the Erie ash pit here ran away this morning and crashed into a train crossing over from the main line. Three cars were wrecked.

Keeping the rails the locomotive continued on the main line, and ran into a freight, bound west, smashing eight more cars.

The locomotive then stopped. No one was injured. A break in the cylinders of the locomotive was the cause of the runaway.

EX-POLICE COMMISSIONER

MURPHY, OF NEW YORK, DEAD

NEW YORK, March 4.—Col. Michael C. Murphy, former police commissioner, died this morning at his home, 582 Broome Street. The end came suddenly at 2 o'clock.

For years Colonel Murphy had been a sufferer from stomach trouble. His heart gradually became affected, and heart failure was the immediate cause of death.

Colonel Murphy underwent a remarkable operation many years ago, and since then had been fed by means of a tube.

CONFESSES SHOOTING GIRL AND ATTEMPTING SUICIDE

DETROIT, Mich., March 4.—Edward Knappman, the Chicago boy, has made a statement to the police that he shot Agnes Mooney two weeks ago, while under the influence of liquor, and then tried to kill himself.

Knappman shot himself through the breast, but the wound is healing rapidly, and a charge of murder will be lodged against him if he recovers. Knappman at first blamed the girl for the shooting.

SHAMROCKS ADMITTED

FREE OF DUTY IN CHICAGO

CHICAGO, March 4.—Collector of Customs Nixon decided yesterday that no duty should be collected on a consignment of 1,900 shamrocks which had arrived from Ireland. This is said to be the first time that the customs officials have had to determine whether shamrock plants were subject to duty.

ATTRACTIONS IN RETAIL STORES.

S. KANN, SONS & CO.—A special three days' sale of shoes commences tomorrow at "The Busy Corner." Many bargains in women's, misses', and children's footwear will be shown.

LEW NEWMYER—Lew Newmyer, who is well known about Washington, has embarked in the merchant tailoring business at 425 Ninth Street northwest. Mr. Newmyer will open the doors of his establishment tomorrow and will exhibit a fine display of suitings for the coming season. Mr. Newmyer has in his employ cutters who are considered among the best in Washington.

SPEEDY OUTLET COMPANY.—This new concern has created quite a stir since its advent in Washington. The

CHOLERA INFANTUM CURE TO BE GIVEN TO THE WORLD

Discovered Through Rockefeller Research Fund, After Two Years' Work—Inspired by Death of Magnate's Grandson.

BALTIMORE, March 4.—John D. Rockefeller's monument to his little grandson, "Jack," will be the cholera infantum cure that has been discovered as the result of work conducted under the auspices of the Rockefeller Institute for Medical Research during the last two years.

Announcement that the qualities of a serum that would combat all forms of dysentery had been discovered was made last night in a private lecture room of the hospital by Dr. Simon Flexner, of the University of Pennsylvania, who was recently appointed director of the Rockefeller Institute, and Dr. James H. M. Knox, of the hospital staff, who has been associated with Dr. Flexner in the investigations.

A hundred Baltimore physicians greeted the announcement with the greatest enthusiasm.

Serum to Be Given to the World.

Both the investigators gave detailed accounts of the progress of their work. They declined to talk about it for publication, beyond saying that the serum would be ready for practical use within a few months, when the formula would be given to the world. It is intended for the treatment of the disease in adults, as well as children.

The finding of the means to combat the disease is a sequel to the declaration last fall by Dr. William H. Welch, at Johns Hopkins, that the germ which caused "summer complaint" in children had been identified and isolated by two students working under the auspices of the Rockefeller Institute, and under Dr. Welch's direction. The two men who accomplished that much toward the great end in view were Charles W. Duval, of Annapolis, a student in the medical department of the University of Pennsylvania, and Victor H. Bassett, of

Aledo, Ill., a student in the Johns Hopkins Medical School, who will receive their degrees this year. Their work was carried on last summer at the Thomas Wilson Sanitarium for Children at Mount Wilson, Baltimore county, and was amply verified by Drs. Welch and Knox. Their discovery was hailed by scientific men as half the battle against the great destroyer of infantile life.

Monument to a Child.

Mr. Rockefeller was shocked when he realized that all the millions of the richest man in America could not save the life of a little boy in the clutches of a common infantile disease. It has never been the way of the Standard Oil Company's head to give up entirely the accomplishment of a thing that seems desirable, even if he had to do it in a way different from that first intended. So, while little "Jack," as John D. Rockefeller McCormick was familiarly called, was laid in a grave in "The Dell," at Tarrytown, where his grandfather has his country home, Mr. Rockefeller determined that if he could not save the one young life that was precious to him, he would save the lives of thousands of others in years to come.

\$200,000 Spent in Research.

In less than a month after the death of the young son of his daughter Edith and Harold F. McCormick, Mr. Rockefeller gave \$200,000 to be expended by the most distinguished pathologists of America in delving into the causes of disease, and the discovery of means for its prevention or cure. In giving that large sum he declared that: if it were not enough there would be plenty more. None of the money has been used for buildings, as all the work is carried on in the laboratories of the great medical schools of the country and the health departments of the great cities.

DETROIT APPRAISER AND COLLECTOR APPOINTED

President Names Senator Alger's Choice for Two Posts.

President Roosevelt yesterday decided to appoint David Meglinsky as collector of internal revenue, at Detroit, to succeed Charles Wright.

This decision was not reached without a spirited contest waged between Senator Alger and his adherents and the partisans of the McMillan side of the organization. Senator Burrows declined to take part in the contest, regarding the position as one entirely within the limits of his colleague's patronage.

The selection of Mr. Meglinsky follows the President's customary plan of allotting offices to those having the endorsement of the high officials within their districts. The decision comes as a hard blow, however, to the McMillan faction, which, until the death of the senator last summer, had things all its own way throughout that section of the State.

Another Michigan appointment decided upon by the President and hardly less important in a local way, is that of L. H. Trowbridge to succeed James H. Stone as appraiser at Detroit. This place has also been a point of contention, and its settlement adds prestige to the Alger forces in the State. The contents for these appointments have attracted great attention throughout the State, and great pressure was brought to bear to secure the President's favor for one side or the other.

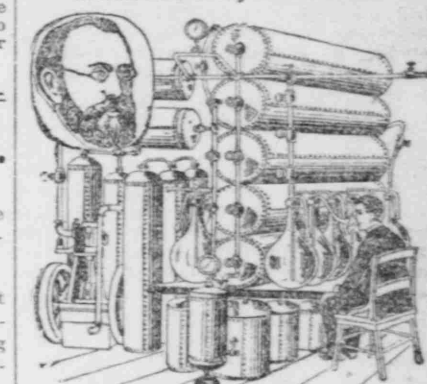
THINK SUICIDE WAS MISS S. M. PARKER

Local Police Identify Body Found on Newport Cliffs.

With the local disclosures in connection with the identity of Miss S. M. Parker, whose lifeless body was found last week on the cliffs of Newport, R. I., Detective Captain Boardman has shifted the scene of further investigation from Washington to Atlantic City. Captain Boardman has been assisted by clues in the form of several papers found on the dead body. These consisted of a letter head of the Library of Congress, dated May 16, 1899, and a Raleigh Hotel envelope, bearing the date of May 17, 1899.

At the Library the scrap of paper was recognized. The records showed that the date corresponded with the time a donation was received from a Miss A. M. Parker, of the Raleigh Hotel, and inquiry at the latter place developed that a Miss S. M. Parker had been a guest there from September 23, 1898, to June 2, 1899, having registered from Atlantic City. Other than this, nothing could be learned.

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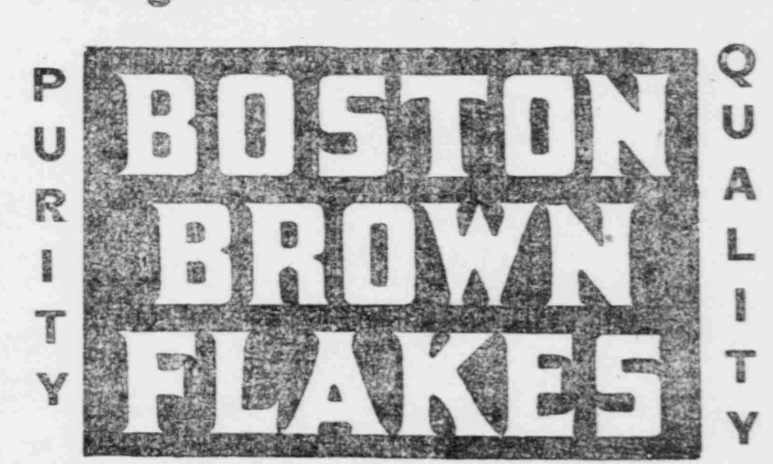
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